

# Twinsburg City School District

## Summit County Ohio



General Fund  
Five Year Forecast Review  
July 1, 2021 Through June 30, 2028  
November 15, 2023

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# O.R.C. and O.A.C. Requirements

- O.R.C. 5705.391 and O.A.C. 3301-92-04
  - Require a Board of Education to submit a five-year projection of operational revenues and expenditures along with assumptions to the Ohio Department of Education prior to November 30th and an update by May 31st of each fiscal year
- Required funds to be included in the five-year forecast are:
  - General Funds (001)
  - Any special cost center associated with general fund money
  - Emergency levy funds (016)
  - Any debt service (002) activity that would otherwise have gone to the general fund



# Purposes and Objectives of the Forecast

- To engage the Board of Education and the community in long range planning and discussions of financial issues facing the school district.
- To serve as a basis for determining the school district's ability to sign the certificate required by O.R.C. 5705.412, commonly known as the "412 certificate".
- To provide a method for the Ohio Department of Education and Auditor of State to identify school districts with potential financial problems.



# Before we get to the numbers ...

- A financial forecast is somewhat like a painting of the future based upon a snapshot of today.
- The five-year forecast is viewed as a key management tool and should be updated periodically.
- In a financial forecast, the numbers only tell a small part of the story. For the numbers to be meaningful, one must review and consider the Notes and Assumptions before drawing conclusions or using the data as a basis for other calculations.
- The five-year forecast encourages district management teams to examine future years' projections and identify when challenges will arise.
- This helps district management to be proactive in meeting those challenges.

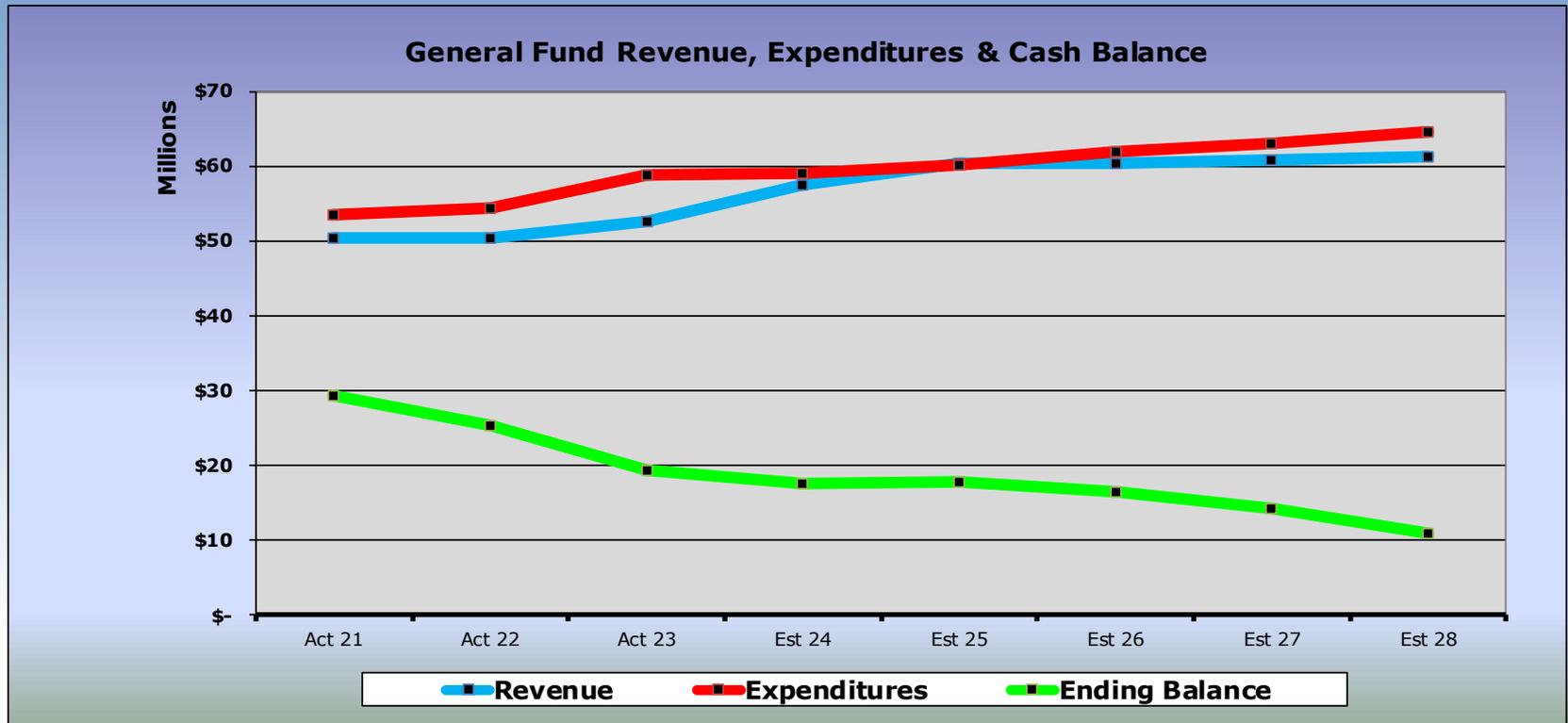


# Key Line Items

- The five-year forecast is divided into two sections: revenue and expenditures.
- A district's revenue is made up of two main sources, local and state funding.
- The expenditures are mainly salary and wages, benefits, purchased services, and supplies and materials.



# Revenue Vs. Expenditure



- Expenditures began exceeding revenues in FY20.
- Models most current state revenue data for FY24 & FY25 with HB33 funding model.
- The \$6,210,000 levy passed on November 7<sup>th</sup> is a major factor in our positive cash balance throughout the period of this forecast!

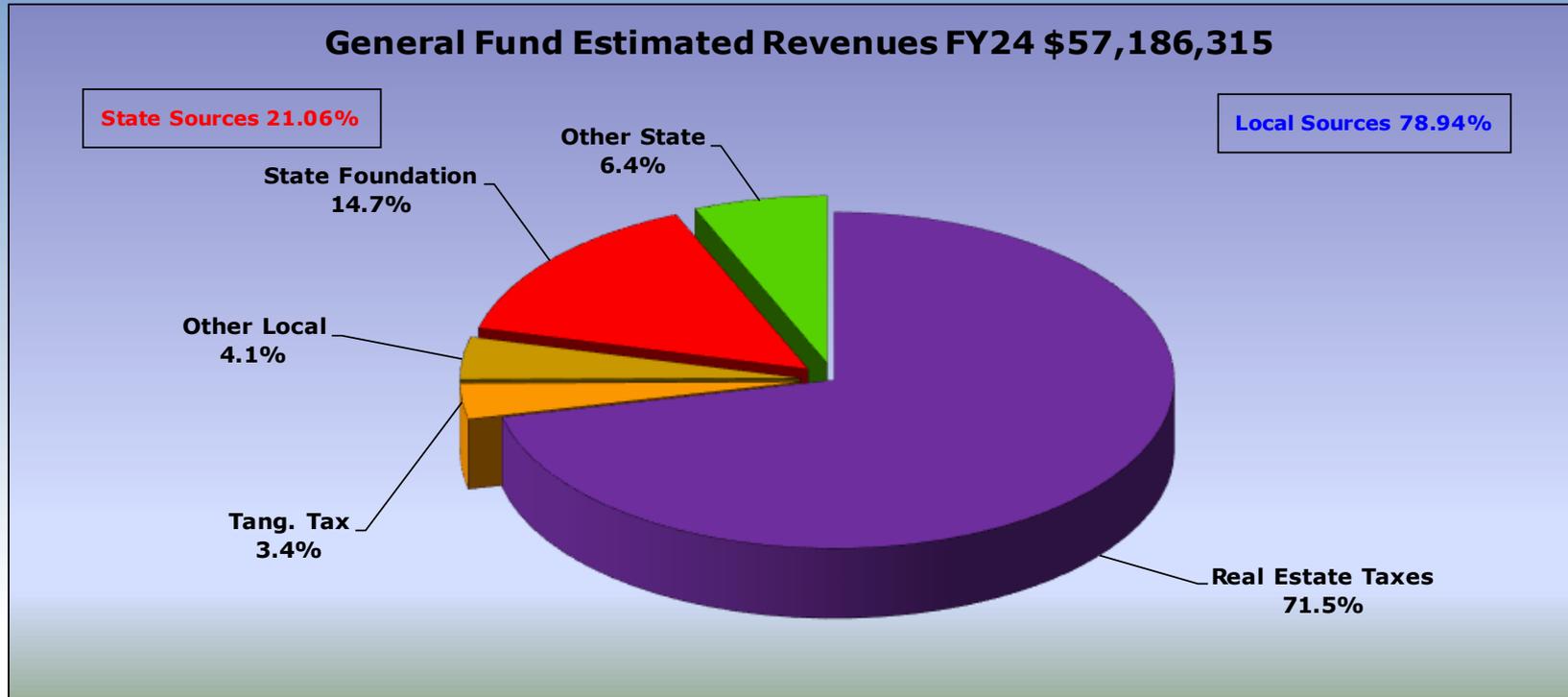
# Factors that brought us the positive Cash Balances through FY28

As a result of multiple factors, we are projecting positive cash balances throughout the period of the forecast, including FY28:

- ✓ The implemented Expenditure Reductions in Spring 2023 (which also includes increasing some revenue lines)
- ✓ The community passing the Emergency Levy on November 7<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ About \$1.5 million increase in State Foundation for FY24 and keeping it through FY28
- ✓ All additional revenues District Administration went after:
  - ❑ which either have increased our general fund receipts, such as
    - ✓ Interest received in 2023 for over \$ 874K
    - ✓ Catastrophic cost refund of about \$ 260K
  - ❑ or save us Permanent Improvement funds, such as the Safety Grants of \$ 500K

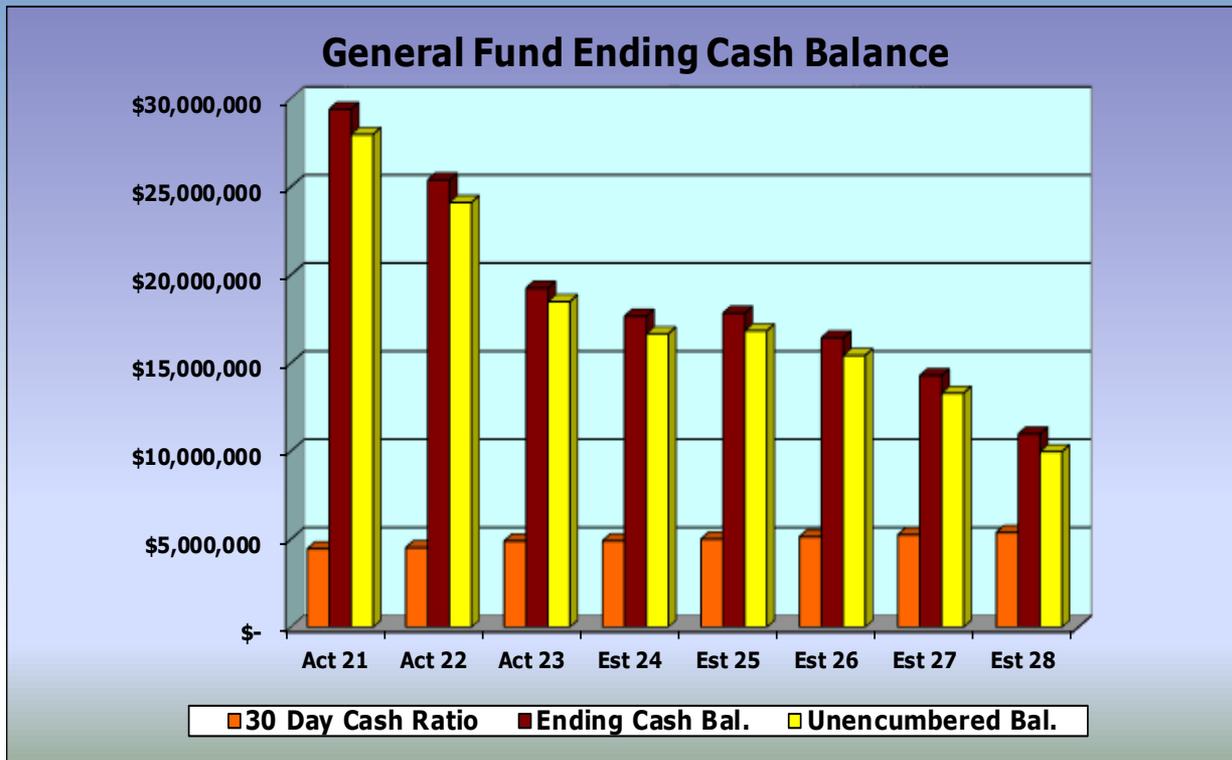


# Est. General Fund Revenue Sources FY24



- State of Ohio contributes just 21.06% in FY24. This is up from prior 19 % due to the changed formula which brings us close to 1.5 million more in FY24. This change was implemented in October 2023.
- District is still mostly reliant on local taxpayers for support.

# Ending Cash Balance-Includes New Levy



- 30 – 60 day cash balance a responsible and recommended target to end each fiscal year
- No less than \$-0- required by Ohio law;
- 30 days suggested by Department of Education and Workforce and
- 60 days & more recommended by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA)

# Many Challenges To Operating Funds

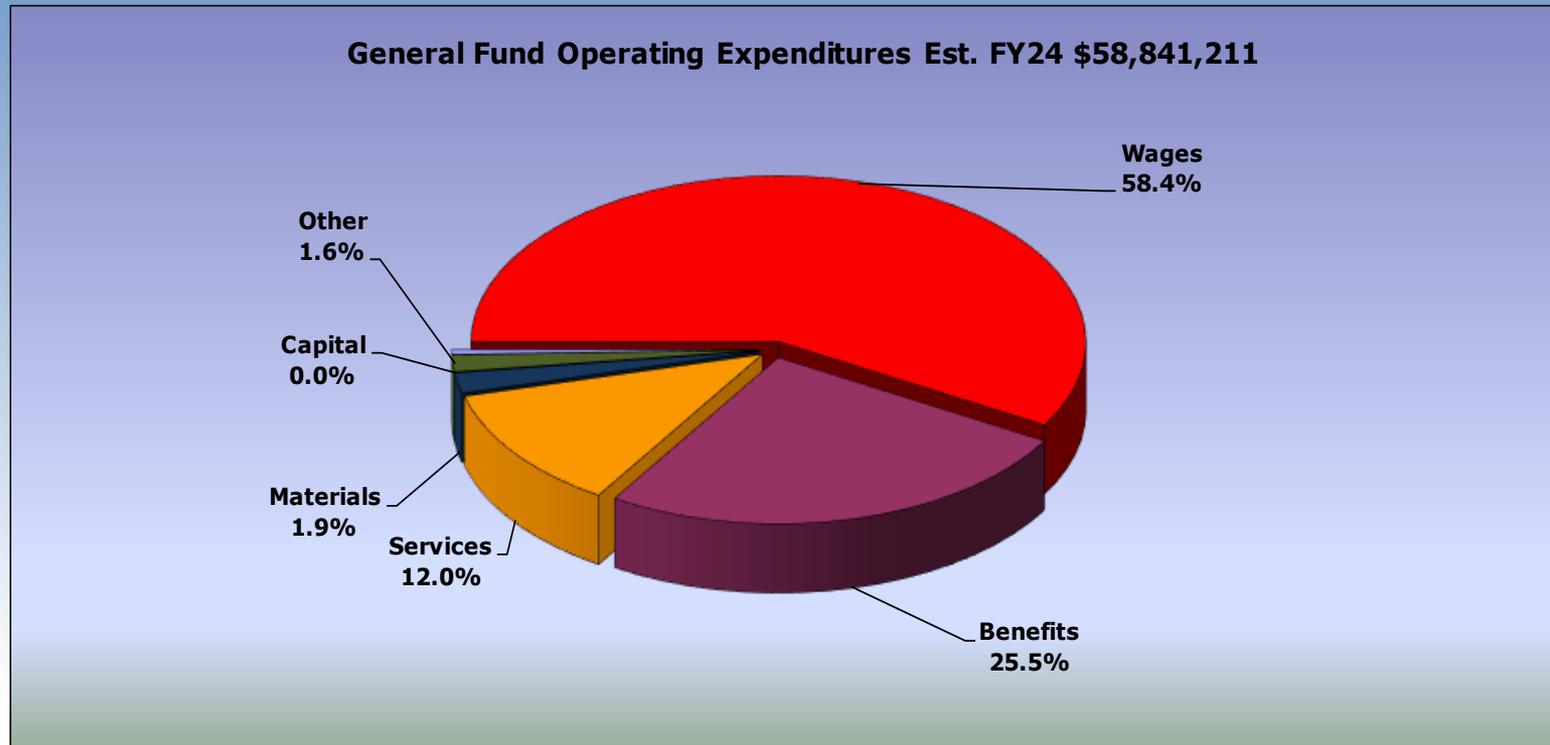
- Our TPP state reimbursement was cut. During FY22 our District received the last payment in the amount of \$633,610. In FY19 we received \$3,108,754....in FY15 we received \$6,671,486

These are substantial revenue losses to our district and we must not forget that the small increases in state foundation funding will not make these losses up.

- Increased payroll, benefits and other costs due to inflation
- No payroll increase included in the current forecast beyond FY2024
- Benefits increase included at estimated 7% for medical after this fiscal year. Please note: as payroll cost increases, it triggers increased retirement and Medicare cost

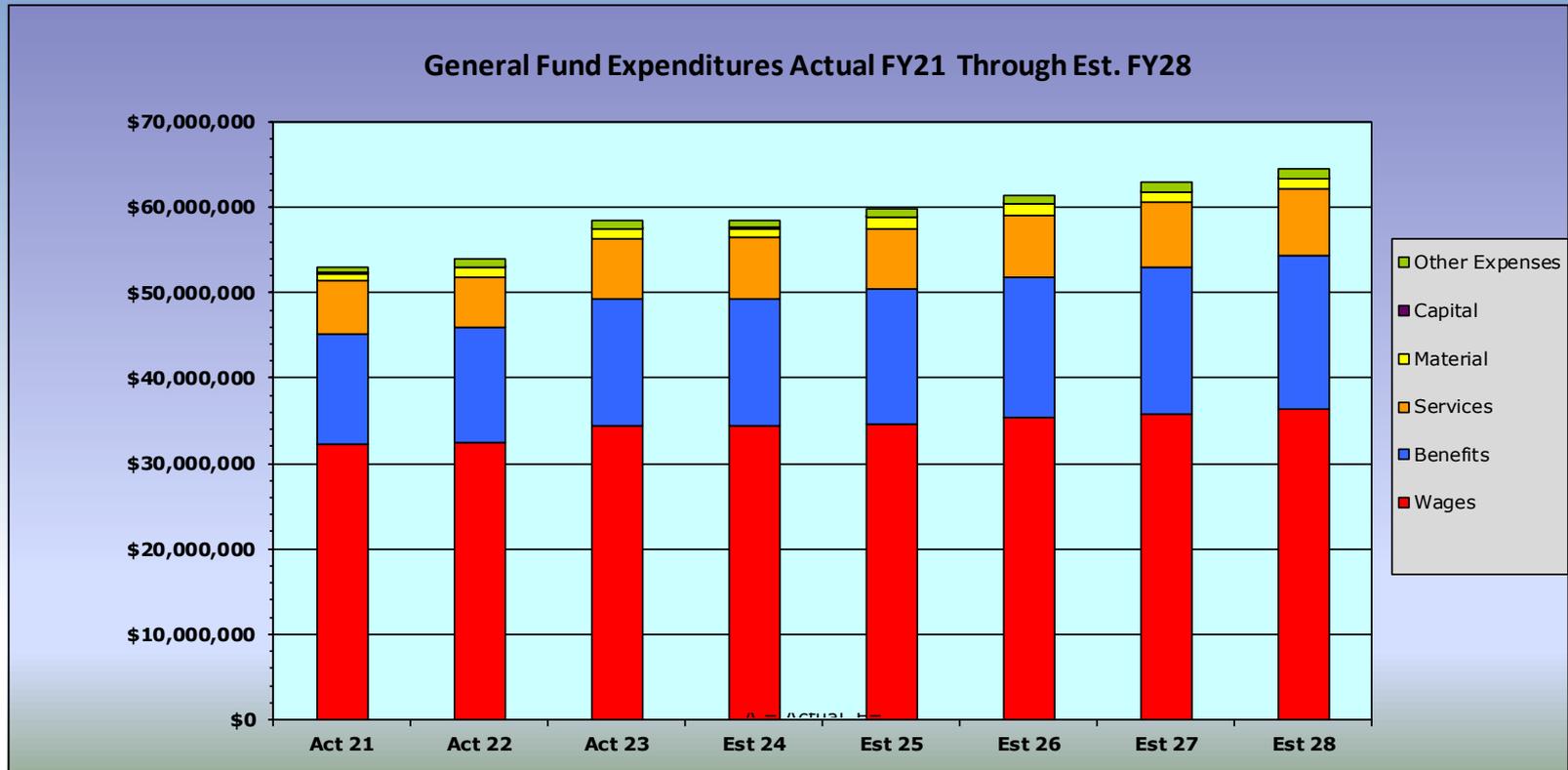


# Est. General Fund Expenditures FY24



- Wages and benefits estimated 83.9%...this is very high and should be less than 80%.
- Fringe benefits follow wages and is the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest cost and the fastest growing category in this forecast.
- We also have additional wages in the Purchased Services section through the Education Service Center of NE Ohio and City of Twinsburg.

# General Fund Expenditures By Object FY21 through Est. FY 28



- Expenses are projected to increase at 4.9% from FY23 through FY28
- Revenue will be increasing about than 2.3% average

# Action Steps

- We must stay on course with the Expenditure Reduction Plan
- Continue to off load operating costs from General Fund to P.I. so operating funds are not drained by larger facility, transportation and technology costs
- Administration and Board to continue exploring ways to accomplish a balanced budget



# Thank You for Listening

Questions and Answers

